

[6 December, 2006]

RAJYA SABHA

(a) whether the former Chief Minister of Jammu and Kashmir, Shri Mufti Mohammad Sayeed, before he left for New York to attend the UNGA Session as the representative of India, stated in a public meeting in Srinagar that his party's formula for self-rule on both sides of the LoC in Jammu and Kashmir is the only solution to the J&K issues;

(b) whether he also stated that he would express these views in the meetings of the UNGA; and

(c) if so, whether Shri Sayeed raised this issue in the meetings of the UNGA; if so, the reaction of the Government of India to it?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) As reported by State Government of Jammu and Kashmir, Shri Mufti Mohammad Sayeed has not made any specific statement on the subject.

(b) He has not made such a statement.

(c) No, Sir.

#### **Amount for Disaster Management**

†1584. SHRI SHAHID SIDDIQUI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the progress made during one and a half year since the disaster managements Act was enacted;

(b) the amount allotted for disaster management so far; and

(c) the number of States in the country which have arrangement for disaster management?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI S. REGUPATHY): (a) Since the enactment of the Disaster Management Act, 2005 on 23.12.2005, the National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA), the National Executive Committee (NEC) and the National Institute of Disaster Management (NIDM) have been constituted as per the provisions of the Act. Rules/Regulations relating to NDMA, NEC and NIDM have also been notified. NDMA and NIDM are already functioning and have initiated action towards discharge of the responsibilities

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and functions assigned to them under the Act, Training of National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) battalions has also commenced. The State Governments have been advised to take necessary action for implementation of the Act at the State level.

(b) As per available information, the details of funds released during 2005-06 and 2006-07 (till date) under Calamity Relief Fund (CRF)/National Calamity Contingency Fund (NCCF) and other programmes relating to disaster management are as given below:

(Rs. in crore)

Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme/Programme	Funds released	
		2005-06	2006-07
1.	Central share of CRF	2944.51	2606.94
2.	NCCF	3061.44	1962.06
3.	Strengthening of training capabilities in States	1.46	0.73
4.	National Programmes for capacity building of engineers and architects in earthquake risk management.	2.82	0.56
5.	Project preparation activities for the proposed National Cyclone Risk Mitigation Project	1.13	—

(c) The primary responsibility of managing the disasters is that of the States and each State is expected to have arrangements for disaster management. Institutional mechanisms and other responsibilities of the State Governments have been laid down in the Disaster Management Act, 2005 and they have been advised to take necessary action for implementation of the Act. As per available information, 23 States/UTs have constituted State Disaster Management Authorities either before the enactment of the Act or thereafter.

#### **Killing of Railway Officials/Security Personnel in Assam**

1585. SHRI MOINUL HASSAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether militants ambushed a team of railway engineers and security personnel in the jungles of Assam, on October 6, 2006;

(b) if so, the number of persons killed and injured;